

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

2020 Regular Session

To: Rules

By: Representatives Gunn, Boyd, Weathersby, McGee, Crawford

House Concurrent Resolution 65

(As Adopted by House)

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE 2020 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS FROM THE FINAL DAY OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DAY SESSION TO JUNE 9, 2020; TO AUTHORIZE THE HOUSE AND SENATE TO ADJOURN FOR MORE THAN THREE DAYS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE HOUSE AND SENATE SHALL RECONVENE ON APRIL 1, 2020, UNLESS THE SPEAKER AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JOINTLY DETERMINE THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RECONVENE; TO AUTHORIZE THE SPEAKER AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO RECONVENE THE HOUSE AND SENATE BEFORE OR AFTER APRIL 1, 2020; TO EXTEND THE 2020 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR ANOTHER PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS TO JULY 9, 2020, IF THE HOUSE AND SENATE HAVE NOT ADJOURNED SINE DIE ON OR BEFORE JUNE 9, 2020; TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE SESSION IS EXTENDED FOR A SECOND PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS, THE HOUSE AND SENATE SHALL RECONVENE ON JUNE 17, 2020, UNLESS THE SPEAKER AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JOINTLY DETERMINE THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RECONVENE; TO AUTHORIZE THE SPEAKER AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO RECONVENE THE HOUSE AND SENATE BEFORE OR AFTER JUNE 17, 2020; TO AMEND JOINT RULE 40 TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN THE SPEAKER AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR HAVE JOINTLY SET A DATE AND TIME TO RECONVENE THE LEGISLATURE AS PROVIDED IN THIS RESOLUTION, THE LEGISLATIVE DEADLINES SHALL BE ADJUSTED TO LATER DATES IN SEVEN-DAY PERIODS WHICH SHALL BE COUNTED IN A MANNER TO ENSURE THAT EACH OF THE DEADLINES OCCURS ON THE SAME DAY OF THE WEEK AS THE ORIGINAL DATE FOR THE DEADLINE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for a period of thirty (30) days from the final day of the one hundred twenty-five (125) calendar days of the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature, from Sunday, May 10, 2020, until Tuesday, June 9, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives and the Senate may stand adjourned for a period of more than

three (3) days from any date and time determined by each respective house.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House and Senate shall reconvene at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2020, unless the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor jointly determine that it is not necessary to reconvene, in which case the House and Senate shall not reconvene on that date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor jointly determine that it is necessary for the House and Senate to reconvene before or after Wednesday, April 1, 2020, the House and Senate shall reconvene on the date and time jointly declared by the Speaker and the Lieutenant Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the House and Senate have not adjourned sine die on or before Tuesday, June 9, 2020, the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for another period of thirty (30) days, from Tuesday, June 9, 2020, until Thursday, July 9, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the 2020 Regular Session is extended for a second period of thirty (30) days, the House and Senate shall reconvene at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2020, unless both the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor jointly determine that it is not necessary to reconvene, in which case the House and Senate shall not reconvene on that date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the 2020 Regular Session is extended for a second period of thirty (30) days, and the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor jointly determine that it is necessary for the House and Senate to reconvene before or after Wednesday, June 17, 2020, the House and Senate shall reconvene on the date and time jointly declared by the Speaker and the Lieutenant Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Joint Rule 40 of the House and the Senate is amended as follows:

40. TIMETABLE FOR PROCESSING LEGISLATION

90-day Session	2020 Regular Session	
9th day	37th day	Deadline for making requests for general bills and constitutional amendments to be drafted.***
14th day	42nd day	Deadline for introduction of general bills and constitutional amendments.*
29th day originating	57th day	Deadline for committees to report general bills and constitutional amendments in own house.*+
38th day originating	66th day	Deadline for original floor action on general bills and constitutional amendments in own house.*

39th day	67th day	Deadline for reconsideration and passage of general bills and constitutional amendments originating in own house.*
42nd day	70th day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider general bills and constitutional amendments originating in own house.*
51st day	79th# day	Deadline for original floor action on appropriation and revenue bills originating in own house.
52nd day	80th# day	Deadline for reconsideration and passage of appropriation and revenue bills originating in own house.
53rd day	81st# day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider appropriation and revenue bills originating in own house.
57th day	85th# day	Deadline for committees to report general bills and constitutional amendments originating in other house.*+
65th day	93rd# day	Deadline for original floor action on general bills and constitutional amendments originating in other house.*

66th day	94th# day	Deadline for reconsideration and passage of general bills and constitutional amendments originating in other house.*
67th day	95th# day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider general bills and constitutional amendments originating in other house.*
71st day	99th# day	Deadline for original floor action on appropriation and revenue bills originating in other house.
72nd day	100th# day	Deadline for reconsideration and passage of appropriation and revenue bills originating in other house.
73rd day	101st# day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider appropriation and revenue bills originating in other house.
74th day	102nd# day	Deadline to concur or not concur in amendments from other house to appropriation and revenue bills, and for introduction of local and private bills that are revenue bills.

77th day	105th# day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider concurrence or nonconcurrence in appropriation and revenue bills.
80th day	108th# day	Deadline to concur or not concur in amendments from other house to general bills and constitutional amendments.
81st day	109th# day	Deadline for introduction of local and private bills that are not revenue bills.
82nd day	110th# day	Deadline for conference reports on appropriation and revenue bills to be filed.**+
84th day	112th# day	Deadline for final adoption of conference reports on appropriation and revenue bills and for conference reports on general bills and constitutional amendments to be filed.**+
85th day	113th# day	Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider conference reports on appropriation and revenue bills.
86th day	114th# day	Deadline for first consideration of conference

reports on constitutional general bills and amendments.

87th day 115th# day Deadline for filing conference reports on general bills and constitutional amendments that had been recommitted for further conference.+

88th day 116th# day Deadline for adoption of conference reports on general bills and constitutional amendments after recommittal.

89th day 117th# day Deadline to dispose of motions to reconsider conference reports on general bills and constitutional amendments.

90th day 118th# day Sine die.

*Appropriation, revenue, and local and private bills, and bills to restore suffrage are excluded from these deadlines. For purposes of the deadlines herein set forth, the term "revenue bills" shall include only those bills whose primary purpose is to increase or decrease taxes or to authorize the issuance of bonds or the borrowing of money. Bills which are primarily for regulatory purposes which have revenue provisions included shall not be considered as revenue bills for deadline purposes. The deletion from a bill of the features which made it a revenue bill shall render the bill a general bill for deadline purposes.

**Conference reports on all bills must be filed with the Secretary/Clerk no later than the time of adjournment on the day prior to being called up and considered. Appropriation bills which actually appropriate money and are recommitted for further conference are excluded from the requirement that the subsequent conference report be filed and lay on table one (1) day before being considered; however, original action must be taken on all appropriation conference reports by 2:00 p.m. on the 84th/112th# day and subsequent reports must be filed no later than 6:00 p.m.

***Requests for general bills and constitutional amendments to be drafted must be made no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 9th/37th day. The Rules Committee of the House or Senate, as the case may be, may authorize any member of its respective house to make requests, for one or more general bills or constitutional amendments to be drafted, after the expiration of the deadline for making such drafting requests but before the deadline for introduction of bills and constitutional amendments, upon a determination by the Rules Committee that such drafting requests are in response to conditions of an emergency nature arising subsequent to the deadline for making requests for general bills and constitutional amendments to be drafted.

+Committee reports and conference reports that are subject to being filed on these deadlines must be filed with the Secretary/Clerk no later than 8:00 p.m.

#When the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor have jointly set a date and time to reconvene the Legislature as

provided in this resolution, these deadlines shall be adjusted to later dates in seven-day periods which shall be counted in a manner to ensure that each of the deadlines occurs on the same day of the week as the original date for the deadline, with the first deadline occurring no more than fourteen (14) days from the date and time that the Legislature reconvenes.

Whenever the word "day" appears in this rule, it shall mean calendar day.

The above schedule shall not be deviated from except by the passage of a concurrent resolution adopted by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of the House and Senate present and voting.